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Application No.: 09/828,211

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For: **METHOD OF DETECTING MUTATION IN BASE SEQUENCE OF NUCLEIC ACID**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

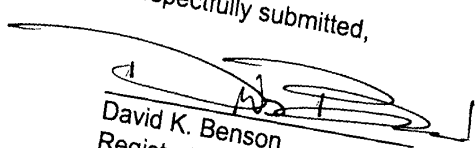
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants, through their undersigned attorneys, hereby petitions to extend time for further response to the non-final Office Action dated April 24, 2002, for one month. Therefore, please consider the response as timely filed. An Amendment, Sequence Listing; Statement to Support Filing and Submission, along with a computer-readable disk are being filed concurrently herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$55.00 (small entity) to Deposit Account 18-0013 to cover the petition fee.

The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 18-0013. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,


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